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Brother Harrison,

Yours of the 5th was rec'd this evening and as you want me to write oftener on mother's account I will answer it to night as I may not have another opportunity in a day or two for we are quite busy in the Adjutants office at present. You speak about not hearing from the Box you sent. I *recieved* it the 29th of last month I think and wrote to mother a day or two afterwards, but she might not have *recieved* it before you wrote this as it was only the 5th.

Lt. Brown got back yesterday from home, he said that he saw you at Leonardsville. You *know* doubt had a very sociable time. I would have liked first rate to have been with you, especially when you was visiting across the river. But what is the odds I shall be home some time probably. I think the advice you gave me was very good and the most sure. I will see to that.

I am not very well lately. I have got the Rheumatism in my hip so that is hard for me to travel about much, it don't get any better.

I hear that [CO] Uncle Sam was home again in L—ville. I wonder if he drinks as bad as ever he told me in New Orleans that he would not drink anymore and he kept his word while I was there. You enquire about the boys that were wounded at Winchester. The last I heard from Colt(?) Shepardson he was in Baltimore, he has got well, had not been home, they would not give him a furlough and he would not take his discharge, he said he was a going to stay with them as long as they would keep him. Howard is here with him, I believe in the Camden Street Hospital, have not heard from George Root very lately, he has been home on furlough and was back to the Hospital again. I think in Phil— he has got through with his soldiering, his right arm is drawn up and he cannot straighten it out, he is probably crippled for life. Wess Morgan and Frank Burke got back to the Co. a day or two ago. Orr Loomis is back, he cut his foot very bad yesterday with a hatchet. Dave Kerry I suppose is "playing off" up in Phil—. Our Company is the largest in the Regt. now there are 32 present.

About those cartridges you speak of, I don't know of any troops about here that are armed with them that I could get them of. What kind of cartridges are they if they were the same as ours I could get a plenty of them.

Please send me one of your Photographs. I will have some taken as soon as we get our pay. I am much obliged to mother for the money she sent, but I can get along without it well enough at present.

Well I believe I have written about enough.

Give my love to all.

Your Affectionate Brother,

John F. Brand

Yours Truly

J. F. B.

[The following is written on the bottom of the last page, and in the margins. I do not believe they were included in the original letter.]

Yours Truly

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